

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA * **CRIMINAL DOCKET NO. 10-252**

v. * **SECTION: “B” (5)**

PATRICIA A. BOWMAN *

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FACTUAL BASIS

The United States of America and defendant **PATRICIA A. BOWMAN (“BOWMAN”)** hereby agree that this Joint Factual Basis is a true and accurate statement of the defendant’s criminal conduct, that it provides a sufficient basis for the Defendant’s plea of guilty to the charges contained in the Indictment in the above captioned matter and as set forth in the plea agreement signed this same day, and had this matter proceeded to trial, the following facts would be established through competent evidence and testimony:

The United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), is an agency of the United States of America. That on or about August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina struck southeastern Louisiana causing residents in certain areas in the Eastern District of Louisiana, to evacuate. FEMA maintained disaster recovery centers, web-based and

telephonic emergency recovery centers to assist victims of Hurricane Katrina. As part of their assistance program, FEMA provided \$2000 to assist residents who evacuated due to the hurricane.

BOWMAN executed an application on September 13, 2005 and received \$2000 for expedited emergency assistance using the address of 139 Morgan Court, Westwego, Louisiana, claiming that she was displaced from that address by Hurricane Katrina. For approximately three to five years prior to August 29, 2005, **BOWMAN** resided at 2416 Claire Drive, Gretna, Louisiana, and was, at the time Hurricane Katrina hit the area, residing at the 2416 Claire Drive address. **BOWMAN** did not evacuate from 2416 Claire Drive, Gretna, Louisiana, after August 29, 2005, but remained there to watch over the property and make sure no looters tried to steal anything. Additionally, the address 139 Morgan Court, Westwego, Louisiana, that the defendant listed as the address from which she evacuated does not exist. The \$2000 expedited emergency assistance is the only amount of restitution the defendant owes to FEMA.

READ AND APPROVED:

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Defendant

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